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TAGS: OEXC (GEORGE F. CASTRO)

SUBJ: NOMINATION

1. POST NOMINATES COMMUNITY LEADER AND CHURCH OFFICIAL GEORGE FELICIANO CASTRO FOR 30-DAY FULL IV GRANT TO BEGIN END APRIL/EARLY MAY, 1976 CASTRO IS ONE OF COUNTRY'S MOST INFLUENTIAL PROTESTANT LEADERS, AND REPRESENTS ECUMENICAL CHURCH INTERESTS ON GOVERNMENT'S POLICY-MAKING CHURCH-MILITARY LIAISON COMMITTEE. VISITED USA BRIEFLY IN 1971 BUT SAW LITTLE BESIDES DENVER.

2. BIODATA: CASTRO BORN FEBRUARY 22, 1936; FILIPINO CITIZEN; MARRIED TO RUTH DE OCA CASTRO, THREE CHILDREN. EARNED B.S. IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AT UNIVERSITY OF THE EAST IN 1956. CASTRO IS PROPRIETOR OF PANACOLOR GRAPHICS ENTERPRISES (PRINTING) AND OF CHEERS EXECUTIVE CENTER AND RESTAURANT, WHERE HUNDREDS OF INFLUENTIAL BUSINESSMEN GATHER EACH WEEK FOR FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS. CASTRO IS CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IN PHILIPPINES(NCCP) AND IS GENERAL SECRETARY AND ACTING SUPERINTENDENT OF NATIONAL EVANGELICAL METHODIST CHURCH. HOLDS MEMBERSHIP IN SEVERAL BUSINESS (CASTRO IS DIRECTOR OF PRINTING INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION OF PHIL.), CIVIC, AND RELIGIOUS GROUPS.

3. PROGRAM: CASTRO SHOULD MEET CHURCH AND CIVIC LEADERS CONCERNED WITH CHURCH-STATE POLICIES AND RELATIONSHIPS, AND BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY FOR THOROUGH EXPOSURE TO OFFICIALS AND VOLAGS CONCERNED WITH HUMAN RIGHTS. SHOULD VISIT NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AND WORLD COUNCIL OFFICIALS AT 475 RIVERSIDE  
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DRIVE IN NEW YORK CITY; ALSO OFFICIALS OF UNITED METHODIST,

OTHER LARGE U.S. DENOMINATIONS. WISHES ALSO VISIT LARGE COMMERCIAL  
PRINTING CONCERN AND SECURITY PRINTERS" (U.S. MINT), CERTAIN  
RESTAURANTEURS, AND U.N.

4. FURTHER PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS, NAMECHECK RESULTS, BIO-  
DATA WILL BE TRANSMITTED ASAP.  
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